Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives welcome with pleasure the opportunity to recognize an outstanding Missouri business that has played an integral role in the vibrant economy of its community; and

Whereas, on February 10, 2005, the Missouri Small Business Development Centers, Missouri Procurement Technical Assistance Centers, and the Missouri Federal and State Technology Partnership will be hosting a Client Showcase and Legislative Breakfast in the state capitol rotunda in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, during this special recognition ceremony, The Newberry Group, Incorporated, of St. Charles, will be honored for the contribution it makes to Missouri's economic development; and

Whereas, The Newberry Group, Incorporated, is an information technology and systems consulting, recruiting, and staffing firm with gross revenue of \$18 million in 2004; and

Whereas, The Newberry Group, Incorporated, is a minority, female, veteran-owned company in a primarily male-dominated technology field that has successfully grown since its start in 1996; and

Whereas, Brenda Newberry, President and CEO of The Newberry Group, combined her more than twenty years of experience in computer network and systems software with a propensity for teaching and a nose for business; and

Whereas, by 1999, The Newberry Group was making impressive business strides and was awarded a government contract that resulted in the need to expand the company; and

Whereas, with the help of the Missouri Small Business Development Centers, The Newberry Group developed processes and performance measurers that allowed the company to achieve its goals, manage its growth, and become a major competitor in both the public and private business sectors:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to The Newberry Group, Incorporated, as it is honored for the contribution it makes to Missouri's economic development, and in further wishing it continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for The Newberry Group, Incorporated.

Offered by _

Representative Sally A. Faith, Dist. #15

Representative Carl Bearden, Dist. #16
Representative Joe Smith, Dist. #14
Representative Cynthia L. Davis, Dist. #19
Representative Vicki A. Schneider, Dist. #17
Representative Sherman Parker, Dist. #12
Representative Tom Dempsey, Dist. #18
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Resolution No. 337, adopted February 2, 2005.